

COMMON COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
JULY 21, 2009

Mayor Armstrong called a regular meeting of the City Common Council to order at approximately 6:00 P.M. in the City Council Chambers.

I. Meeting Called to Order

- A. Opening Prayer was given by Mark Teike with St. Peter's Lutheran Church.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Armstrong.
- C. Roll Call: Jesse Brand, Ann DeVore, George Dutro, James Lienhoop, Martha Myers and Priscilla Scalf were present. Joseph Richardson was absent.
- D. Acceptance of Minutes: Martha Myers moved to approve the minutes for the City Council meeting of June 16, 2009. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.
- E. Six Sigma Report: Keith Reeves, Director of Utilities gave a power point presentation of his Six Sigma Report on grass maintenance. Mike Pope, Maintenance Director, gave a power point presentation of his Six Sigma Report on energy savings for the city.
- F. Recycling Committee Report: Doug Memmering, Chairman of the Recycling Committee, presented a power point presentation on the recommendation of the committee. He also introduced members of the committee that were in the audience. Discussion followed. Mayor thanked the committee and stated the Council would have an Ordinance in the near future to review.

II. Unfinished Business Requiring Council Action

None

III. New Business Requiring Council Action

- A. Reading of a Resolution entitled "RESOLUTION NO.24, 2009, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CLERK-TREASURER TO EXECUTE STATEMENT OF BENEFIT FORMS IN CONJUNCTION WITH AN APPLICATION FOR TAX ABATEMENT IN A PREVIOUSLY DESIGNATED ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA PURSUANT TO INDIANA CODE 6-1.1-12.1-7." (NTN Driveshaft) Jim Clouse with Community Development presented the request on behalf of NTN Driveshaft, Inc. for tax abatement on personal property in conjunction with an expansion of its facilities located at 8251 South International Drive in Columbus. The expansion includes the purchase and installation of new manufacturing equipment. NTN Driveshaft, Inc. will be installing new manufacturing equipment with an estimated value of \$20,000,000 to

expand their product offering to the existing North American auto market. As a result of this expansion NTN Driveshaft, Inc. will be able to retain the 1,055 current full-time employees. Jesse Brand stated the Incentive Review Committee had met prior to the City Council meeting and found NTN Driveshaft, Inc. to be in substantial compliance. Brief discussion followed. Jesse Brand moved to approve the Resolution and Ann DeVore seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.

- B. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO.25, 2009, A RESOLUTION DECLARING A CERTAIN AREA WITHIN THE CITY OF COLUMBUS AN ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA AND QUALIFYING CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY AND IMPROVEMENTS FOR PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT AND SETTING THE TIME AND PLACE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING THEREON, LOTUS ENTERPRISES, INC.” Jim Clouse with Community Development presented this Resolution. He indicated Lotus Enterprises, Inc. is requesting ERA designation on property known as 101 Carrie Lane to be used for future economic development. Owner Amit Patel indicated he was planning a redevelopment of the facilities which would consist of tearing down the existing Knights Inn and rebuilding a new national franchised, state of the art hotel and conference center. Jesse Brand stated the Incentive Review Committee had met and found this application to be substantial compliance. Discussion followed. Martha Myers moved to approve the Resolution. Priscilla Scalf seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.
- C. First Reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO. _____, 2009, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, REZONING THE SUBJECT PROPERTY FROM “I-2” (GENERAL INDUSTRIAL) TO “CC” (COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL).” (Cornerstone Development) Jeff Bergman, Planning Director, presented this Ordinance. Jeff Bergman stated that on July 1, 2009 the Columbus Plan Commission met and reviewed the application for rezoning on behalf of Cornerstone Development. Jeff stated the application received a favorable recommendation from the Plan Commission by a vote of 9 in favor and 0 opposed. Jeff Bergman presented a power point presentation. He indicated Cornerstone Development was proposing to rezone an area of approximately 23,087 square feet (.53 acres) located at 3571 National Road. Council Person George Dutro indicated he had a conflict of interest and would step out from the meeting and abstain from voting. Jim Lienhoop stated he would abstain from voting. Jesse Brand moved to place in proper channels. Martha Myers seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0.
- D. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO.26, 2009, A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS TO DESIGNATE THE USE OF CERTAIN APPROPRIATIONS IN THE 2009 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET FOR “B” PRIORITY ITEMS.” Fire Chief Gary Henderson presented this Resolution asking that his “B” priority items be released for purchase. He explained the need for his bunker gear, the personnel accountability system and the new mechanic’s truck. Brief discussion followed. Priscilla Scalf moved to approve the Resolution. Jesse Brand seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.

IV. Other Business

- A. Standing Committee and Liaison Reports.
- B. Storm Water Presentation – Steve Ruble. This was not presented.
- C. The next regular meeting is scheduled for August 4, 2009
at 6:00 o'clock P.M. in City Hall.
- D. Adjournment: Jesse Brand moved to adjourn the meeting. Martha
Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.
The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:55 o'clock P.M.

Presiding Officer

Attest:

Clerk Treasurer of City of Columbus